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1. (Currently Amended) A combustion chamber subassembly for a heating device comprising: a housing with a floor (16) and with a housing wall an annular peripheral wall (18),
a fuel feed (28) for feeding liquid fuel through the housing peripheral wall (18),
a fuel distribution channel arrangement 26,
a fuel distribution element (24) covering the housing peripheral wall ([16]) 18 on a side facing toward a combustion chamber (20) and which, together with the housing peripheral wall (18), bounds the fuel distribution channel arrangement (26), and
a plurality of fuel inlet apertures (30) in the fuel distribution element (24) that conducts liquid fuel from the fuel distribution channel arrangement (26) toward the combustion chamber (20),
wherein ~~the housing (12) comprises a pot, comprising a floor (16) and an annular peripheral wall (18), and~~ the fuel distribution element (24) is of annular form and at least regionally covers the peripheral wall (18) of the housing (12).
2. (Currently Amended) The combustion chamber subassembly according to claim 1, further comprising a groove-like recess (26) in at least one of the housing peripheral wall (18) and the fuel distribution element (24) for forming the fuel distribution channel arrangement (26).
3. (Currently Amended) The combustion chamber subassembly according to claim 1, wherein the fuel feed (28) includes at least one fuel feed aperture (28) in the housing peripheral wall (18) opening into the fuel distribution channel

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arrangement (26), and wherein the at least one fuel feed aperture (28) is offset with respect to the fuel inlet apertures (30).

4. (Original) The combustion chamber subassembly according to claim 3, wherein the at least one fuel feed aperture (28) opens into the fuel distribution channel arrangement (26) in a region between two of the plurality of fuel inlet apertures (30).
5. (Original) The combustion chamber subassembly according to claim 4, further comprising an evaporator medium (34), that receives fuel from the fuel inlet apertures (30) on a side (32) of the fuel distribution element (24) facing toward the combustion chamber (20).
6. (Canceled)
7. (Previously Presented) The combustion chamber subassembly according to claim 1, wherein at least one combustion air inlet aperture (42) is formed on a region of the peripheral wall (18) not covered by the fuel distribution element (24).
8. (Canceled)
9. (Canceled)